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Application of: Thomas P. Karsten, et al.  
 Serial No: 09/888,008  
 Filed: June 22, 2001  
 Title: Ion-Exchange Resin / Enzyme Activity Assay  
 Confirmation No: 8520  
 Group Art Unit: 1651  
 Examiner: Ralph J. Gitomer  
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<i>Application Number</i>	09/888,008
<i>Filing Date</i>	June 22, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Thomas P. Karsten
<i>Art Unit</i>	1851
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Ralph J. Gitomer
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	3352/US 31265/USA (6794-000127/US)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
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iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
iv.  Other Transmittal, Fee Transmittal, Petition for Extension

**2. Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(f) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.08-0750

i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)  
ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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